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COUNTY OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Superior Judge	Wm. S. Wells
County Clerk	J. E. Rodgers
County Recorder	A. E. Dunkel
County Auditor	A. J. Soto
Sheriff	R. R. Veale
Tax Collector	H. C. Raap
District Attorney	H. V. Alvarado
Treasurer	Geo. Wiley
Assessor	Henry T. Jones
Public Administrator	M. H. Hurley
Coroner	H. J. Curry
County Surveyor	Elam Brown
Superintendent of Schools	A. A. Bailey
County Physician	E. E. Brown
Supt. County Hospital	M. M. Taggart

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Regular meetings, first Monday of every month.

First District	P. Tormey, Rodeo
Second District	J. M. Stowe, Walnut Creek
Third District	E. J. Randall, Concord
Fourth District	P. DeMartini, Clayton
Fifth District	J. D. Wightman, Lone Tree

TOWN OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

John Bermingham, Jr., M. Murray, B. W. Stevens, A. McDonald, W. A. Ray.

TOWN OFFICERS.

H. McCullough	Marshal
Sam. Bermingham	Treasurer
S. S. McKinley	Recorder
L. E. Hart	Clerk

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

Office open from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Sundays from 7:30 to 10 a. m., and from 3 to 6 p. m.

The San Francisco mails arrive at 8:12 a. m. and 5:20 p. m.

Mails close for San Francisco, etc., at 8 a. m., 10:00 a. m. and 4:50 p. m. For Benicia, etc., 8 a. m.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

(In Effect May 19, 1904.)

COMING WEST.

Leave Pinole—San Ramon Passenger 8:10 a. m., Martinez Local 9:55 a. m., Sacramento Passenger, 6:00 p. m., Martinez Passenger, 5:34 p. m.

Arrive in S. F.—9:25 a. m., 11:25 a. m., 7:25 p. m. 6:35 p. m.

Bakersfield passenger stops every day. Leaves Pinole at 3:38 p. m. and arrives in San Francisco at 4:55. Stops at Giant.

GOING EAST.

Leave San Francisco—Sacramento Passenger 7 a. m. Martinez Local 9:30 a. m. Sacramento Local 3:30 p. m. Martinez Passenger 7:00 p. m.

Arrive at Pinole 8:12 a. m. 10:40 a. m. 4:41 p. m. 8:10 p. m.

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GOING WEST.

Trains leave for Oakland and San Francisco as follows:

No. 5, 7:40 a. m., No. 41, 9:56 a. m.; No. 7, 5:05 p. m.

Arrive at Oakland 8:27 a. m., 10:35 a. m. and 5:55 p. m.

GOING EAST

Trains leave Oakland as follows:

No 50, 7:30 a. m., No. 54, 4:30 p. m., No 56, 8 p. m.

Arrive at Pinole 8:34 a. m., 5:11 p. m. 9 15 p. m.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Don't forget to register or you will lose your vote

J. H. Read left Friday morning for a fishing trip to Castella.

Quite a number of the boys took in the show in Pinole last week.

Mrs. John Bermingham, Jr. spent Friday in San Francisco.

The N. G. plant was shut down Saturday for repairs.

Oysters are fine nowadays, at least Baldy thinks so. Ask him about it.

Louie Balliet and John Buckhart took in the circus in San Francisco Saturday.

Mrs. W. H. Baker has about decided to reside permanently in Hercules.

Jimmy Ducks bemoans the loss of a famous Pouter pigeon, the pick of his cote.

County Clerk Rodgers went by Hercules Friday and waved his hand at his many friends.

Some of our sports are already getting their decoys and blinds in shape for the duck shooting season.

R. S. Penniman visited Supt. Bermingham Friday night and spent a part of Saturday on the Works.

John Dalessi, the popular coachman at the California Powder Works, is away on his vacation.

Large numbers of ducks are reported at the Suisun preserves. The birds are said to be mostly Mallard and Sprig.

The large engine in the California Powder Works power house is having its condensor repared. 1,900 new brass tubes are being put in.

Flocks of ducks may be seen night and morning on the bay from our office windows. Some say this is an indication of an early and hard winter.

Republican primaries take place in Pinole and Hercules next Saturday for delegates to the Republican Convention which is to be held at Black Diamond the last of the month.

Chas. Chaquette and R. K. Smith were city visitors Friday. Smith went to purchase a new gun to replace the one that burst this year. Chaquette went to the circus.

Andy Ashenfelter certainly deserves credit. He works hard to give tardy voters a chance to register. If you don't see him before the 28th you can't vote. Register now and don't kick afterward about Andy.

" Duke" Evans received an amusing letter from a friend, an inmate of the County Hospital last week, who is anxious to locate a girl in Pinole by the name of "Doe Nut Mary" who it seems ran over his leg.

The "pleasant" face and manners of Sam, the Chinese waiter who has presided over the N. G. and foreman's tables at the Hotel Baker, will be greatly missed by the boarders. Sam has gone, no one knows or cares where.

Don't forget the dance at Rodeo Saturday evening next. A good time is assured.

Conrad Nelson of Martinez was a visitor to Hercules last Sunday, to witness the baseball game.

Try a quail at the labratory. Louie says it is just the thing for "them awful sickness what I get."

Miss Sadie E. Davenport of Martinez came to Hercules Sunday on a visit to her brother. She was the guest of B. W. Stevens and daughter.

The road leading from the California Powder Works to Pinole was oiled last week and put in shape for the winter travel.

Striped bass are reported as quite plentiful in the bay at present. A number of San Francisco fishermen come up Sundays to angler for these finny beauties.

A number of the gun club members were at the traps last Sunday morning practicing up for the quail shooting season which commences on the 15th of next month.

The Martinez Brass Band added greatly to the pleasure of those in attendance at the ball game Sunday. The band furnishes first-class music and is a credit to Martinez.

The Republican primary election for three delegates to the county convention to be held on the 28th at Black Diamond, will be held at the town Hall at Hercules on Saturday next. The polls will be open from 1 to 5 p. m. Turn out Republicans and vote.

The Nevada City baseball team and rooters who arrived at Hercules last Saturday evening were more than pleased with their visit to this place. They insure our people a cordial welcome at the return game to be played in the near future in that beautiful mountain town.

John Manning and "Doc" Minugh made a bet several weeks ago which could be a good templar the longest, the one losing should pay all expenses for a trip to the city for both to see the sights. Jack ran into a lot of his friends from the city at Collins' and the result was that he had to foot the bill.

There was a larger attendance at Hercules park last Sunday than at any time previous this season. The people are beginning to realize the class of ball that Manager Ross is putting up. Next Sunday the San Rafaels will cross bats with the Hercules for the second time at the Hercules Park, and an exciting game is expected. Don't fail to attend.

After going through an ordeal that caused the cold creeps to threaten destruction to his nervous system Dr. Watts has authorized us to advertise for a frontier gun fighter, one who is quick on the trigger, to assist him in future surgical operations, the bandaging and unbandaging of sprained ankles, etc. A steady sit. for the right man. Wages no object. Apply at once.

MARTINEZ NOTES.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

Chas Rhine of San Francisco was visiting his daughter, Mrs. Max Blum, last week.

Mrs. Rugg came home for a few days last week and then returned to the city where she will remain until October.

Charles R. Martin, a young man well known in Martinez where he formerly resided, died in Oakland of consumption on the 18th inst. The funeral was held in Martinez on Thursday and the interrment was in Alhambra Cemetery.

A. M. Phalin, ex-School Superintendent of this county, had a stroke of apoplexy in Petaluma last week, and it is feared that he cannot recover. Judge Wells and J. E. Rodgers went over to visit him, and on their return reported him to be in a very serious condition. Later—He died Tuesday morning.

Mrs. J. Ipswitch and her mother, Mrs. Leonard, visited George Ipswitch at Livermore last week.

Mrs. Pasch has returned home from a trip to Oregon.

Miss Dorris Grimm of Santa Cruz is visiting at the home of her brother, H. A. Grimm.

At the last meeting of the Fire Department it was decided to purchase 500 feet of hose and there was some talk of investing in a hose cart. The Department has received a donation of $25 from A. E. Blum.

Mr. A Cohn of Vallejo was in town last week visiting the family of E. Pasch.

Sergeant C. E. Anderson, of the 60th Torpedo Co. U. S. Artillery has been engaged as drill master for the Boys' Brigade.

H. C. Raap went to the city Saturday to arrange the county exhibit in the Mechanic's Pavilion for the grand session of Odd Fellows which takes place this week.

Misses Marie Cunningham and Winnie Carpenter went to Concord on Saturday to attend one of the ball games of the County High School Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Montgomery of Antioch were in Martinez last Saturday.

Miss Rose Hurley spent Sunday with friends in Vallejo.

A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McClellan on the 16th inst.

Mrs. S. McLenegan of Los Angeles visited friends in Martinez the first of the week.

About forty Martinez people went out to Concord last Friday evening to attend the concert given by the Glee Club of Berkeley University in Odd Fellows' Hall in that place.

THE POET'S DREAM.

I wandered to the club last night,
To rest my soul in peace,
A happy hour in the waning light,
All troubles seemed to cease.

A picture fair it seemed to me
That nothing could go wrong,
The setting sun, the pines and sea,
Made life one grand sweet song.

Alas! my dream of peace is o'er,
I hasten from the spot,
The baseball fiends come in the door,
I seek my downy cot.

The pianola's fiendish wail,
Comes floating cross the way,
It breaks the sleeper's dreamy tale
And peace has gone to stay.

—J. R. Yough.

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THURSDAY..... .....SEPTEMBER 22, 1904

Republican Ticket

FOR PRESIDENT,
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS.
FOR CONGRESSMAN
JOSEPH R. KNOWLAND.
FOR JOINT STATE SENATOR
HON. C. M. BELSHAW.

THE editor of the county paper and the souse of the Black Diamond Argus have been so busy with their shovels on the dung heap throwing filth at the Republican candidates that the scent from their own papers have become obnoxious to their Democratic supporters, who find it hard to stomach. If such is the case at the present time they will be walking bags of carrion long before the ending of the campaign.

THE Gazette hit the nail squarely on the head when it said that the Senatorship was nothing to Murphy. He is trying to cloud the minds of the people to prevent the Supervisor fights absorbing too much interest. If this is so Murphy must be asleep and dreaming for he well knows that what he gives utterance to in his wakeful moments is not paid any attention to by the people of this county. We marvel that Randall will allow himself to be badly beaten in the hope of saving the Democratic Supervisors.

Senator Belshaw may have no fear of the injury he will receive from the attacks of the County Paper or the Black Diamond Argus. Their day of usefulness has passed. —Concord Transcript.

There is more truth than poetry in this article and this is the reason that Tommy is wakeful and the Black Diamond Argus is busy throwing dirt at Belshaw. They hope to blind the eyes of the voters to the fact that there is a Supervisor fight on hand. Neither of these worthies would care a straw, when it comes right down to the fact, what the outcome of the Senatorial fight may be, as the patronage from that office would benefit neither, while on the other hand it is an absolute necessity for their existence, especially the County Paper, that a Democratic Board be elected, and they are making a cat's paw of the Senatorial nominees, with which they hope to rake the chestnuts off the coals. Get wise voters, train your guns on these rotten craft and rake them fore and aft on November 8th by electing a Republican Board of Supervisors.

THREATENING clouds are gathering upon the horizon of the different Supervisor districts and when the storm breaks in its fury it will engulf the Democratic candidates and it will be a difficult matter to find even their shoe strings. This lowering sky forebodes disaster to little Tommy and the County Paper, a fact that is so fully realized by him that he "never sleeps" and his mind is haunted with frightful visions of a Republican Board of Supervisors standing between him and the county treasury. Come out of your trance Tommy, take a long suck at the "pap" bottle and pull yourself together to withstand the shock, for you can make up your mind that a long, lingering look is all you may expect to get out of the Court House after January 1st, as you flee to the tall timber.

MURPHY attacked Tax-Collector Raap in a dirty, contemptible manner. Everyone knows Mr. Raap to be a most estimable man, one whose honesty and integrity has never been questioned, except by an unprincipled whelp, whose only reason is that he is a Republican official. Mr. Raap, at great expense to himself helped to gather together a very creditable exhibit of Contra Costa's products, and took them to Saint Louis, where, with the aid of Stanley Fish they were properly arranged. While he was away a month or more he paid an assistant in his office and was out his traveling expenses besides. The fact of the matter is that Rapp being a Republican officer his patronage naturally goes to the party organ the Gazette, and as there is no "pap" to be sucked Murphy has no use for Raap.

THE FIGHT IN THE FIFTH.

John R. Trythall, for over 25 years a resident of the 5th Supervisor district, and now a candidate for Supervisor against the present incumbent, Wightman, is a sure winner. The amount of road work going on in this district is amazing to the residents thereof, and they are beginning to take a tumble to the fact that they are paying the campaign expenses of Wightman, and after paying their last installment of taxes they are wondering how they have submitted to such an extravagant representation on the Board. Wightman is hard pushed. Everything depends on his re-election to the Board, and if elected and the Democrats control, the people of the 5th district will soon find to their sorrow what a gold brick they have been handed. However Trythall is a winner. The people of the district know him and realize that if elected he will serve them honestly and fairly and that he will do all in his power to reduce their now high tax burdens. Give him a big majority and you won't be sorry people of the 5th district.

THE Walnut Creek–Danville-Black Diamond "journalist" has been sniffing the air since the opening of the campaign, and has evidently found out the way the wind was blowing. A piece or two of money has undoubtedly turned the trick, and set him barking and yelping at the heels of Senator Belshaw in one column of his nondescript sheet, while in another he praises to the skies another candidate who is seeking the nomination for Supervisor on the Republican ticket. This is about the capacity of this shallow minded "scribe's" brain, and is a clear evidence that he is wholly lacking in principle. He is out for the "dough" and it matters little to him what wind wafts it. It is easier to dodge an elephant than a louse, and now that voters have learned his position his idiotic babblings will cut no ice. A man who will twice take another's position at $12 per week, and attempt it the third by offering his services for $10 under a threat to the proprietor of starting an opposition business, is not the kind of a man to besmirch Belshaw's character. How about this Mr. Argus? Perhaps you can explain this matter to the union men and voters of your precinct, where you are endeavoring to besmirch the name of the Honorable C. M. Belshaw, but if you would prefer it we will hand them out the "dope."

TOMMY, as your "valuable paper" is still conspicuous by its absence among our exchanges, from henceforth we wipe you from our list, but we have no doubt you will find our paper, even if you do have to borrow it.

The genial face of Jim Helm is again seen among the bricklayers. Jim has many friends at Hercules who are glad to see him back at the old stamping ground.

TOMMY must have taken a catnap last week and when he was in that doze he forgot himself and resurrected that tax list question which got him agitated some three months ago. He charges Tax Collector Raap with neglect, the Gazette and the Tax Collector with robbing the taxpayers by increasing the list, all of which statements are as ridiculous as they are false, but since he has seen fit to tackle this question the second time, it might be well for the taxpayers to know that the cost of printing a tax list does not come out of the county treasury but is assessed to the delinquent, while on the other hand the publishing of the Supervisors proceedings, which have been raised in price for Tommy's benefit, are stuffed out unmercifully and published each month at a cost of from $100 to $125, and is drawn from the General Fund of the county. If the taxpayers seek to lessen their burden of taxation they can reduce this expense by one-half by electing a Board of Republican Supervisors next November. Think it over.

THE Republicans of this county will be pleased to learn that the Republicans of Marin, headed by Martinelli, are doing all in their power to secure the election of Hon. C. M. Belshaw, and like this county it only remains a question of how great his majority will be. The Republican ticket, from top to bottom is bound to be elected with the perfect harmony existing that has characterized this campaign. The only hope that Democrats had in the beginning was that a split might occur in the party which would let them sneak, in but as the 8th of November approaches they are becoming disheartened and alarmed at the aspect, for there is hardly a doubt but what the Republicans will carry Nation, State and county by overwhelming majorities. With this staring them in the face it is no wonder that the Democratic press are resorting to their present tactics.

A dollar that had dropped through the cracks of the sidewalk in front of the office created a great sensation for a time. At a distance the men thought that Mr. Sam Bermingham and Ray Murphy were saying their prayers, but upon closer inspection they proved to be on their knees digging dilligently for the lost specie, which was finally recovered a la Carrie Nation.

Mr. Henry Boysen has undergone personal painful excisions lately for the relief of onychitis contracted during his fatiguing perambulations in the recent Knight Templar parade.

Willie is seen quite often of late in the vicinity of Shingleville. Explain yourself, Willie, don't keep us on the ragged edge of suspense and then go and fool us in the end like some of the other boys did.

Fred Carroll, formerly of the Pittsburg National League will officiate as umpire at the game next Sunday when Hercules meets San Rafael in the second game.

LOUIE HAS FRIGHTFUL PAINS.

DIER EDITUR: John and Louie what is I we went by the Ringtail circus what iss, Friday and Saturday gone by und we have had lovely times. John is get stuck on the three-leg man, und I am like the womans what is beautifully. We take in all of them shows by the outside, and we see the man, what you call him, loop the bike und it is pleasurable. Say, Mr. Editur, if I know before hand that Hercules by Nevada City get another sweet, good beating, I and John we would not have come us back again from dot Ringtail circus. I am so sickness that I feel outside in, und Ross his is so madness what iss about dat beating dot I tole John we vamoos ranch und say nothings. Nevada is a nice boys, but dot don't make me better some, und we lose. John say it was Divine Providence, because some of the boys commits a crimes by not practice some more. I don't know except they is rotten all right. Jimmie Schmidt he is all right for 6 innings and then he gets tired und it is all off mid Roos' boys and I hear such mudderings from Roos dot I afraid to ask him what iss. B'g Dan und Miller is all right in the field, but Jessica is wearing a blindfold what lets in three runs. Just here I sickness get what is awful, und I can't tell you any more cause the rest is known. Jack O'Connell is a fineness for umpire, und I learned somedings from his works Yeazell has got our boys over a barrelfuli und if we don't win by Nevada I im going to resign my job mid you onct, and go by Nevada City what is a fine team. The day it was a beautifulness, mid lots of pretty girls and boys, a brass band what make moosic vust like a 4th of July, und a big crowd of spectaculars what all paid Geo. Shepard und Jack Barr und Eddie Curretown. Roos he say we loses money all right und I am sadness, but I think he is the wrong dope because John sav big crowd. I am introduck-huned to James Griffin what is going to bring some scientifical pugs by Jimmie Silvas to fight for the boys. Billy Murry will Jordan the fight und I am expect mid John und Ed. Roos a pleasurably time. I am also by Roos meet some nice mans what say I am got the right dope, and by und by und by Jim Griffin is bring up a drawing man to make pictures of John and me what is Louie and Ed. Roos when he loses. Ed. Roos he spoke me about another boat trip by Petaluma what iss, and I am promise to tell it to the peoples by this letter. John is going to buy a trained Elefantus to pull the ices out of the ice house, und I am going to hire dot three legs to cook my kettles so I can be three places at the same time what iss, und now I get some Port for Louie und a number one steamarina for John what he likes. Well, good bye, lovingly,

LOUIE.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the town of Hercules was held Monday evening. Sept 9th, present Trustees Murray, Stevens and Ray. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. An ordinance was introduced providing for the naming of the road leading from what is known as Watchman's Gate in a westerly direction to the S. P. Co. depot, to be named Railroad avenue, laid over till next meeting. The following bills were allowed: Pinole Ele.. Light and P. Co. street lights, $30; A. Carlisle & Co. supplies, $24.25; fills rolling and macadamizing Santa Fe Ave., $360; Pinole Weekly Times, publishing, $54; Hercules News, publishing and prfnting, $62.29; J. T. Silvas, hauling, $75; H. McCullogh, Salary, $10; L. E. Hart, salary $25.

The Empire Road Show will play at Pinole Saturday and Sunday evening, September 24th and 25th. This company is widely known and all should attend. Admission 10 and 20 cts.

Miss Jessie Merritt slipped and fell at the dance Saturday night, and as a result she sustained a sprained wrist which has kept her from work this week.

Go to "Cheerfulness" and get registered.

On the Diamond.

Jack O'Connell will umpire our next game with Nevada City. The crowd was the largest of the season, and all had a good time. That's the way boys and girls, turn out and help the team.

Smith pitched his first game in seven weeks, and for six innings had the boys from Nevada guessing.

The Martinez Band deserves great credit for coming down to help us out with their music.

The umpiring of Jack O'Connell was masterful. Not a single kick was heard.

With the exception of Loh, who was out of place, the outfield was good.

Boynton, Hanrahan, Robinson, Sheehan and Steffen all played good ball, and Dan got a nice hit.

Next Sunday we play the San Rafaels, and a hot game is assured us by Manager Ross. Turn out and see it.

Manager Ross announces a boat ride to Petaluma next month. A large crowd of rooters will go over to see the game.

The Nevada boys were loud in their praise of our treatment. They are a nice bunch and deserve to win as they play only the fastest of ball.

Following is the score:

Nevadas	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E
Waters, 3d b	4	1	1	2	4	1
Claire O'Connrr, 1b	5	1	1	13	0	1
Downing, l. f.	4	1	1	1	0	0
Chas. O'Connor, 2b	4	0	1	1	4	1
Dashwood, c	5	1	1	7	1	0
Scruggs, s. s.	4	1	0	0	0	0
O'Brien, c. f.	4	0	2	2	0	0
Yeazell, p.	3	1	1	0	4	0
Treacise, r. f.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	36	6	9	27	13	3

Hercules	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E
Boynton, 3d b	4	0	0	3	1	1
Robison, s s	5	1	0	2	3	2
Hanrahan, 2d b	3	0	0	5	2	1
Smith p.	3	1	1	2	2	0
Sheehan, 1st b	3	0	1	7	1	0
O'Connell, c f	4	0	2	1	0	0
Steffen, c	4	0	1	6	1	0
Loh, l. f.	4	0	0	1	1	0
Miller, r. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	5	27	11	4

Runs and hits by innings—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	—6
Hits	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	5	1	—9
Hercules	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	—2
Hits	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	—5

Summary—Double plays, Hanrahan to Sheehan; passed balls, Dashwood; wild pitch, Smith; stolen bases, Boynton; two base hits, Watters, Downing; bases on balls off Smith, 3; off Yeazell, 4; hit by pitched ball, Treacise. Umpire Jack O'Connell, scorer, Ingersoll. Time of game, 1 hour 50 minutes.

Following is the line up for next Sunday's game:

San Rafaels		Hercules
Licthenberg	p	Loh, Smith
Peralto	c.	Steffen
Simms	1b	Sheehan
Hawkins	2b	Hanrahan
Hansen	3b	Boynton
Webber	s. s.	Robison
Nelson	l. f.	McDonald
Hogan	c. f.	O'Connell
Pedrotti	r. f.	Miller
Shroeder	Extra	Packard

RODEO NEWS.

Mr. L. Paganini had his wagon painted and has hung up a new sign at his place of business.

Mr. Joe Delmonte returned from Alaska Friday and will stay with his parents at Rodeo. Joe has been away for two years and was not known when he returned.

Mr. Eddie Olsen leaped into the bay Sunday to save a baseball for the boys.

Mr. M. Delmonte and Manuel Joseph took in the dance at Pinole Saturday night.

A dance will be given at the Social Hall on Saturday evening next. Casad's orchestra will furnish music. It will be a program dance. Floor manager, Joe Johnson; assistant, C. Catt; floor committee, H. Koppen, Tom Higuera and M. Joseph; reception committee, E. Olsen, W. Silva, C. Gaskill.

Mr. Jerry Mahoney and his friends took in the base ball game Sunday.

Miss Mirtle Weaver is riding horse back to work now days.

Mr. Bert Bennett of Pinole was in town Sunday and won many cigars.

Mr. Tom Higuera and Miss Mirtie Weaver were visiting Martinez Sunday in Tom's new cart.

Mr. H. Baker returned from Seattle Tuesday. He is well known in Rodeo.

Mr. F. Gomez is repairing his house.

Jimmie Higuera is now mail carrier for the young people.

Frank Higuera, an employe of the Union Oil Works, had two of his fingers smashed Monday while lifting an asphaltum barrel.

Mr. Len McCloskes has given up his rabbit chase and is now trying to find a widow to marry.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Mrs. H. B. Fuller is visiting Mrs. John Bermingham, Jr.

T. A. McMahon and L. Llewellyn witnessed the game Sunday.

Mrs. M. A. B. Rice was a city visitor Wednesday.

Cards announcing next Sunday's ball game are already out.

Several Crockett people were at the game Sunday.

"Soda Pop" saw the game Sunday and won a fifty-cent bet.

Mr. W. H. Baker gave another one of his popular teas.

Mrs. Baker has decided to prolong her visit to Hercules.

E. E. Athey has returned from his vacation.

The Standard Oil Co's. barge delivered a cargo of oil to the Works Sunday last.

The Russian cruiser "Lena" passed our office Saturday, bound for Mare Island.

Tom Young of the Chicago Machine Co. drove a party to the game Sunday.

The trees around the Boarding House are being topped by Gardner Mann and a force of men.

L. Leavell, Assistant Supt. at Giant visited Hercules Sunday, accompanied by his wife.

Henry Boysen, the "genial" (?) bookkeeper at the office, has a great liking for flinging water around—on other people.

Hopkins who played right field for the California Bowling Alleys and who was to pitch for Portland, did not go north as it was said he would.

Mr. Downer had a "lady servant" who stayed one day and upon her departure took her trunk upon a wheelbarrow and trundled it to the station. She said she didn't "learn it in this country either."

Who got the bottle out of the coal oil stove? Reward is offered and no questions asked if the bottle is returned. The label is of no consequence as it was not "poison" anyway.

Paul Parker, an old Stanford man visited Messrs. Marx and Murphy Sunday.

Howard Veale drove down from Martinez Sunday with Miss Kelly to see the game.

Mrs. Stevens, wife of Foreman Stevens, has arrived safely in New Orleans on her way East.

The manager of the Wood Pecker Cigar factory visited Hercules in company with his wife.

The new pan at the Recovery plant lately installed is working nicely and the fumes have been greatly reduced.

Miss Honeyman, chief clerk in the office of Speck & Co., real estate agents of 'Frisco is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Baker.

The fire hose recently ordered from the East for the town of Pinole has been shipped. As soon as it arrives a fire company will be organized.

The California Bowling Alley team quit when playing the San Rafaels last Sunday in the 4th inning on account of the umpire's decision.

Manager Ross regained consciousness at 9:10 Tuesday evening, and Dr. Watts thinks that by dint of careful nursing he will manage to pull through, however, his spinal epiglottic nerves sustained a frightful shock on Sunday and it will be some time before he thoroughly recovers.

NOTICE TO VOTERS.

Every person entitled thereto must register during the year 1904 forty days before election in the precinct in which he may desire to vote. The registration for the general election in November next closes September 28th. Make application for registration to J. E. Rodgers, County Clerk, or A. M. Ashenfelter, Deputy County Clerk for the town of Hercules, Contra Costa County, Cal.

TOWN TAXES

Town Taxes will be delinquent on Monday, October 17, 1904, at 6 o'clock p. m. and unless paid prior thereto, five per cent. will be added to the amount thereof. Payments may be made between the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. at Store House.

HENRY MCCULLOUGH,
Town Marshal.

C. M. BELSHAW

(Of Antioch)

Republican Nominee for

Joint State Senator

Ninth Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Marin and Contra Costa.

Election Tuesday November 8, 1904.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF DOGS.

All dog licenses expire June 30, 1904. Notice is hereby given to renew licenses at once. Same can be obtained at the storehouse.

HENRY MCCULLOUGH,
Town Marshal.

Notice of Meeting of Stockholders of Hercules Water Company, (a Corporation.)

OFFICE OF HERCULES WATER COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Hercules Water Company has been called and ordered by the Board of Directors of said corporation to be held on Tuesday, the first day of November, 1904, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of said corporation in the Town Hall in the Town of Hercules, County of Contra Costa, State of California, said place of meeting being the principal place of business of said corporation and at the building where the Board of Directors thereof usually meets. This meeting is called for the purpose of voting upon the proposition of increasing the capital stock of said corporation from seven hundred and fifty (750) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.) each to two thousand, five hundred (2500) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.) each.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Hercules Water Company.

Dated: August 17, 1904.

B. C. CARROLL,
Secretary of the Hercules Water Company.

8-25-2m.

HERCULES NEWS.

...Published Every Thursday...

At HERCULES, CONTRA COSTA CO., CALIF

QUESTIONS FOR THE COUNTY PAPER TO ANSWER.

How much money have you drawn from the county in the past four years and how did Randall vote on this?

Why was your compensation for printing the proceedings of the Board increased by the Democratic Board of Supervisors? How did Randall vote on this?

Where is your union card that was last seen in the Chapel of the Portland Oregonian, and how long did you "rat" it in San Francisco before you came to Martinez? Does Randall know what happened to this card?

How long did Randall vote against the Court House steal? Why did he change his vote? How did he vote on the jail bill?

Who bought the safe for the Treasurer's office at a big price. did Eddie?

How did Randall vote on the tunnel scheme?

Does Randall know how much bonus some one got out of the tunnel?

How much cement, lumber and material did Randall's company furnish the Court House contractor?

How many votes did Randall beat Hook? Does this show his popularity in a small district?

Why were your taxes allowed to go delinquent?

How small a space would the average Board's minutes take without stuffing?

How about the Grand Jury subpoenas that you printed after Latimer's election? How did Randall vote on this?

How about your attack on lifelong and and prominent Democrats because you couldn't rule them?

How about your part in keeping Mr. Hemme out of a guard's position at Folsom or San Quentin?

How about your management of Mr. Blum's Trustee campaign last election in Martinez. Did you win? Nit.

How long will you continue to print the proceedings of the Board after next November?

How about your treatment of the Hon. Patrick Tormey, the only man on the board?

What was Randall's connection with the County Poor Farm deal

There are several other questions that the people would like to be enlightened upon before casting their votes for Randall and another Democratic Board of Supervisors, but we are of the opinion that the above will keep you sufficiently busy in explaining between now and the 8th of November.

The ball given by the Martinez Brass Band at Foresters' Hall in Pinole last Saturday evening was a grand social if not a financial success. Everybody had a good time and the music was excellent.

Pinole Bazaar

The Only Reliable Store in the County

DEALER IN

Dry Goods, Gent's Furnishings, Shoes, Groceries, Fine Liquors and Wines, Hardware, Paints and Oils, and Furniture.

All Goods Guaranteed of the Highest Quality at the LOWEST PRICES.

A. Greenfield, - - Proprietor.

NEW! NEW! NEW!

We have jnst received our lines of new goods direct from the East, and are showing you the latest styles in

Shoes, Dress Shirts, Collars, Neckwear, and Hosiery...

And many other articles which are too numerous to mention. Don't fail to come and see our show windows as they can speak for themselvess....

Suits Ready Made or Made to Order.

...AT CITY PRICES...

The Always reliable Store

QUINN & BRODER

PINOLE.

Special Closing Out Sale of Summer Goods

As we need more space for our Fall Line we are offering the following reductions:

FINE DESIGNS OF LINENS AND DRESS GOODS

Regular price 12½ and 15c per yard.....While they last 10c per yard
Regular price 15 and 20c per yard.....While they last 20c per yard
Regular price 25c per yard.....While they last 15c per yard

Also all designs and sizes of white and colored Shirt Waists

Regular price $1 $1.35, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00.....While they last 75cts.

A line of Ladies' Summer Under Vests, all sizes, in white, pink or blue

Regular Price 25cts.....While they last 15c apiece

We also have a big lot of Mason's Fruit Jars, and are offering same for

Pints 55c per doz,; Quarts 65c per doz.; Two Quart 86c per doz
Jar Covers 25c per doz. Pure white Jar Rubbers 3 dozen for 25c

LEHMAN BROS., Pinole, Cal.

LODGE NOTICES

SHENENDOAH TRIBE, No. 121, I. O. R. M., meets every Wednesday night.
W. MAYER, Chief of Records. JOS. JOHNSON, Sachem.

HERCULES LODGE No. 21, K. OF P. meets every Saturday night at Foresters Hall, Pinole, Cal.
C. L. TOWNES, K. of R. & S. C. E. HOUCK, C. C.

PHYSICIANS

HERBERT C. WATTS, M. D.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Hours, 1 to 3 p. m. Sundays by appointment. Office in Hospital Bldg., Hercules, California.

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First-Class in Every Respect. The Largest and Most Commodious Hotel in Pinole.

Everything new and modern. First-Class accommodations for transients. Meals served in any style. Board and lodging by the day week or month.

MRS. R. STEELE, Prop.

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(INCORPORATED)

Richmond, California.

J. J. DAVIS, Mgr. PHONE, BLK. 341.

HERCULES LAUNDRY called for and delivered every Tuesday and Friday. Write your name and room number on bundle and drop in basket on boarding house porch and it will receive prompt attention and will be delivered in your room when finished.

HARE AND HOUND EXCHANGE

M. NUGENT, - - - Proprietor

Wines, Liquors and Cigars...

...STEAM BEER a Specialty...

DICK'S CAFE

ACROSS THE WAY

Good Whiskey and Cigars

R. J. WOLCOTT, Prop'r.

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H. CALOU, Sec'y.
Telephone Main 816.

WM. HUGHES, Agent for Hercules.
Office in Club Barber Shop.

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